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In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief dated October 17, 2007, Applicant hereby respectfully submits an updated "STATUS OF THE CLAIMS" section in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §41.37(c)(1)(iii). Applicant respectfully submits that the Appeal Brief is now in compliance, and respectfully requests that the Appeal Brief be considered ready for examination.

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STATUS OF THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-24 remain in the referenced application. Claims 25-36 have been withdrawn from consideration, and are canceled. Claims 1-14 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Poindexter (U.S. Patent No.: 5,398,517). Claims 15-24 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) by Poindexter in view of Lindner (U.S. Patent No.: 3,942,685). Applicant has appealed the rejection of Claims 1-14 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) by Poindexter, and the rejection of claims 15-24 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) by Poindexter in view of Lindner.

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